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In re Application of: Doverspike et al.

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For: METHOD FOR NETWORK

LAYER RESTORATION USING SPARE INTERFACES **CONNECTED TO A** RECONFIGURABLE TRANSPORT NETWORK

Group Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Nguyen, Dustin

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 19, 2008

In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2008 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 21, 2008 with a one month extension of time, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a one-month extension fee is due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's credit card account in accordance with the enclosed PTO-2038 form.

Furthermore, in the event that the Commissioner is unable to obtain the necessary fees from Applicants' credit card account, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/ATT/2002-0154 for the one-month extension of time fee and any additional fees, including excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.